

SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL

20 FEBRUARY 2013

AGENDA ITEM C2

NAMING OF ROADS AND RIGHTS OF WAY IN THE GOVERNORS GREEN SUBDIVISION, GREYTOWN

Purpose of Report

To obtain a decision on an application by developers to name the roads in the "Governors Green" subdivision, Greytown.

Recommendations

Officers recommend that the Council:

1. *Receive the information, and.*
2. *Approve the names "Governors Green Drive", "Spence Lane" and "Kawau Lane" pursuant to section 319A of the Local Government Act 1974.*

1. Background

Developers have applied to rename an existing road and to name two new rights-of-way (ROWS). The ROWs and an extension to the existing road were created by the Governors Green subdivision (see files RC 3390 and 3390.01). This is a 22-lot rural greenfield subdivision at the southern end of Greytown.

South Wairarapa District Council is responsible for naming roads in the South Wairarapa, and it has the authority to name the ROWs pursuant to Section 319A of the Local Government Act.

2. Discussion

2.1 Legal Implications

The application is compliant with Council's Policy on Naming of Public Roads, Private Roads and Rights-of-Way (the Policy).

Pursuant to guideline 4.2 of the Policy, applicants are required to list three possible road names for Council's consideration and approval. The names are to be listed in order of preference with a brief statement of their significance. The developer has requested that the following names be considered for the "Governors Green" subdivision:

- a) Governors Green Drive – main road for the site, includes renaming the existing Pierce Street
- b) Spence Lane – ROW serving 4 lots
- c) Kawau Lane – ROW serving 3 lots

All three names choices are considered appropriate as they have some association with Governor Grey, and therefore meet guideline 4.3.3 of the Policy (the name should have significant local content or meaning). As noted earlier, the subdivision is a greenfield development and the name "Governors Green" alludes to this while recognising Greytown's local history. Spence Lane was chosen as "Spencer" was the maiden name of Governor Grey's wife, and "Kawau Lane" was chosen to reflect the considerable amount of time that Governor Grey spent on Kawau Island.

In addition the suffixes "Drive" and "Lane" would meet the suggested suffixes outlined in Section 3 of the Policy.

With respect to renaming Pierce Street to Governors Green Drive, Council's Road Naming Policy (4.4.3) requires that a significant majority of the residents and owners along the road support the change. Council and the developer are the only property owners adjoining Pierce Street. Consequently it is considered that they are the only affected owners.

Council should note that the Policy only requires the formal naming of ROWs that serve more than four lots. Neither of these ROWs serve more than four lots. While the Policy is silent on whether such accesses can or cannot be formally named, it is considered prudent to name both in this instance. The ROWs are part of a significant development that extends the township south and they are also of considerable length (approximately 450m and 300m).

2.2 Financial Considerations

There are no financial implications for Council as pursuant to Section 4.2.6 of the Policy any costs associated with this road naming application are to be met by the developer/applicant.

3. Long Term Plan – Community Outcomes

The proposed road names would add value to the Greytown community. The heritage aspects of the township are considered of fundamental importance and the names chosen are sympathetic to this. The subdivision is a significant development and appropriate road names approved by Council will help contribute to the continued vibrancy of the community as well as ensuring accessways are both visible and accessible.

4. Conclusion

Officers recommend that Council approves the names Governors Green Drive, Spence Lane and Kawau Lane. These names have not been used in the South Wairarapa before and meet the guideline criteria in the road naming policy. The names complement the existing history of the area and would meet the community wellbeing outcomes in the Long Term Plan.

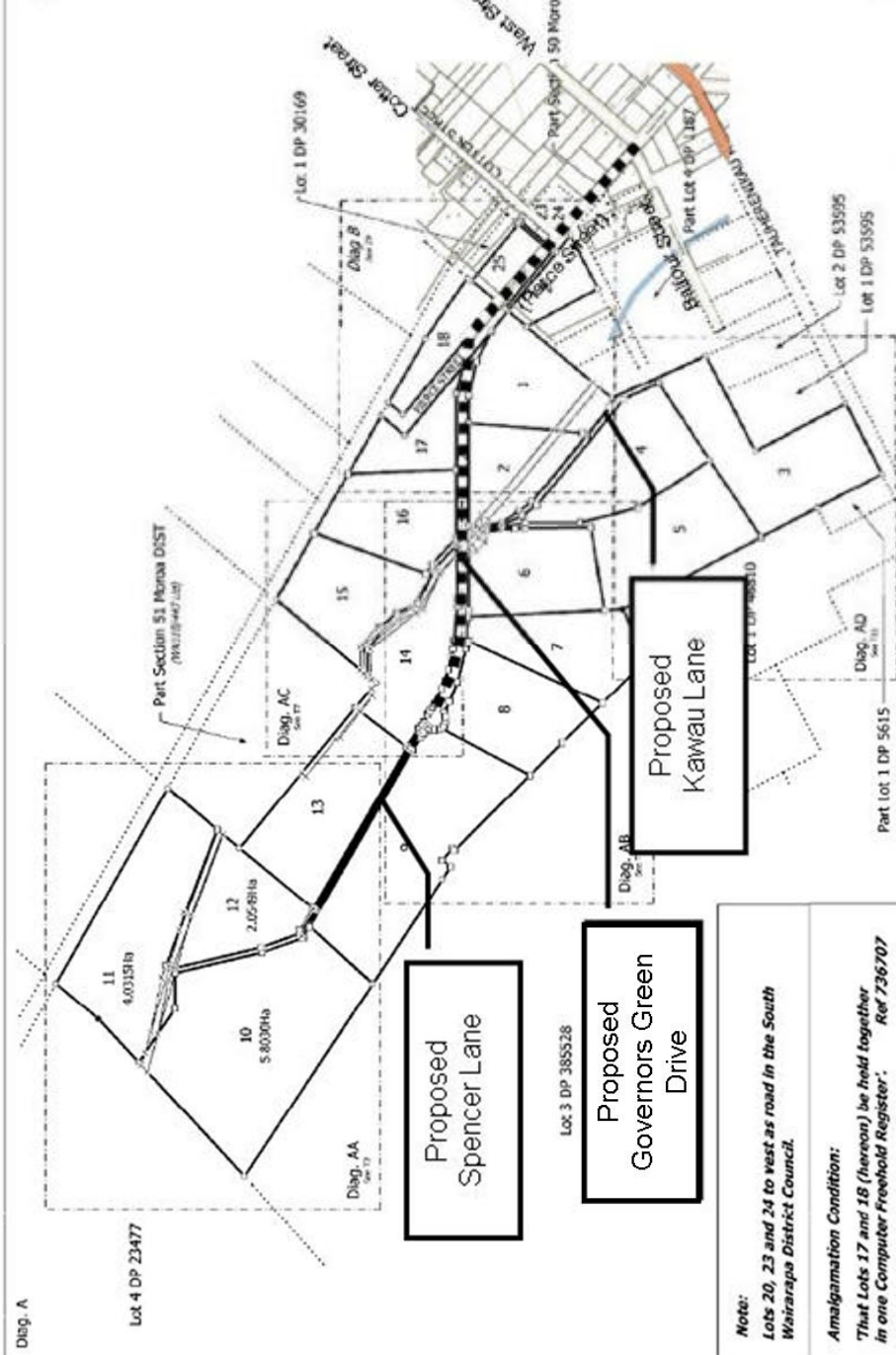
5. Appendices

Appendix 1 – Location map

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Appendix 1 – Location Map Governors Green



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Title Plan
LT 455345
CP-447

Surveyor Christopher Millar
Per: Admission Under

Part Lot 6 DP 385528, Part Lot 6 DP 2164 and Parts Lot 4 DP 1187

Note:
Lots 20, 23 and 24 to vest as road in the South
Wairarapa District Council.

Amalgamation Condition:
That Lots 17 and 18 (hereon) be held together
in one Computer Freehold Register. Ref 736707

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